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In re Application of:)

MASAAKI YAMAMOTO et al.)

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For METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION)
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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-captioned case the following information and references that may be relevant to the examination of the above-captioned patent application.

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Above prior art references were all cited in a European Search Report in a counterpart EP application. A copy of the search report is also enclosed herewith for the Examiner's reference. United States Patent No. 5,508,817 was already disclosed to the Office in the first Information Disclosure Statement. Therefore, a copy of the patent is not enclosed in this second Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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